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| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27   |   |                    |                            | Art Unit 3672                |           |                    |                                    |                        |  |  |  |
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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty of disclosure, the present Information Disclosure Statement is submitted to the Examiner for consideration.

Applicant wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention U.S. application serial number 10/336,911, entitled "Backpressure Adapter Pin and Methods of Use," filed January 6, 2003; U.S. application serial number 10/440,795 entitled "Casing Mandrel with Well Stimulation Tool and Tubing Head Spool for Use with the Casing Mandrel," filed May 19, 2003; U.S. application serial number 10/607,921 entitled "Multi-Lock Adapters for Independent Screwed Wellheads and Methods of Using Same," filed June 27, 2003; and U.S. application serial number 10/912,894, entitled "Backpressure Adapter Pin and Methods of Use," filed August 6, 2004.

Copies of the applications are enclosed. The Examiner is encouraged to review the applications for relevance to the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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|                                 | IN AN APPLICATION   | Filing Date:<br>July 10, 2003 |                                     | Group Art Unit: 3672 |                                   |               |               |  |  |  |
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|                                 | 6,220,363   | 04/24/2001                    | Dallas                              | 166                  |                                   |               |               |  |  |  |
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|                                 |   | serial number 10              | /336,911, entitled                  |                      |                                   | pter Pin and  | d Methods of  |  |  |  |
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| 1                               | Tool and Tubing Head Spool for Use with the Casing Mandrel," filed May 19, 2003.  Patent application serial number 10/607,921, entitled "Multi-Lock Adapters for Independent" |                               |                                     |                      |                                   |               |               |  |  |  |
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